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## MORMON BASIN IS A LIVELY MINING CAMP

Many of the Prospects Being Opened Up Have Good Ore.

## OLD MINES RUNNING FULL TIME

A. E. Dagany of Sumpter will be over in the Mormon Basin this week to begin work on his group of claims here. Andy Bergenson is busy cleaning out the tunnels preparatory to starting the work. Frank Buck is working on W. E. Shumate's claims adjoining M. Dagany's property.

J. H. N. Peterson is driving a 250 foot crosscut to cut the lead in his Red Wing claim. He has five feet of ore on the surface of which 14 inches on the foot wall will mill \$50 per ton free.

Randall Porter and Mow, the lessees of the Sunday Hill group expect to cut the ore body this week in the Tip Top claim, from which \$17,000 was taken out. Several pillars of the same ore was left in the upper workings ranging from 15 to 40 tons in each, which the boys expect to extract and mill. At present they expect to crush their ore at the Humboldt but later if the ore bodies in the lower workings justify will erect a small mill on the property.

Mr. Dimick has sold his half interest in the Pay Day claim in the head of Cottonwood to William Phelan. The new owner is now driving a tunnel on the property.

Jack Monaghan has just returned from Baker where she has been spending the past few months. He will begin work on his group of claims about half a mile from the Humboldt. Judge Burke is interested with him.

Andrew Hansen is working his placer on Glengary Gulch. He expects to clean up soon as water is getting short and will move to French gulch where he will work the rest of the summer.

Wm. Miller and M. Pusey are working on Mr. Miller's claim, driving a crosscut. They have a good showing on the surface.

### D. EMILIO RABASA



D. Emilio Rabasa, one of President Huerta's representatives at the mediation conference at Niagara Falls.

Captain Henry Irvin, one of the first settlers of the Payette section, died suddenly Wednesday morning, aged 82. He was going to Portland with a shipment of hogs and dropped dead on the train near Pendleton. Mrs. Irvin is an aunt of Mrs. E. A. Fraser.

The "Standing room only" sign could be placed on some of the late fashions in women's skirts.

## LADIES HAVE PROGRAM FOR DECORATION DAY

A line of march will be formed on Main Street, near the Farley Furniture Co's store, 9:30 on Saturday, May 30, led by the old soldiers, followed by citizens, who will proceed to the cemetery to decorate the graves of departed friends.

The ladies having in charge the arrangements for decoration day announce the following for the literary exercises to be held in the Opera House at 1:30 p. m.

Major Trow will act as chairman. Opening ode, America, by the audience.

Prayer by Rev. Koenig. Solo, Mrs. McBratney. Remarks, by Rev. Johns. Recitation by Claudia Barton. Song by the Baptist Church choir. Solo, Mrs. J. W. McCulloch. Recitation by Dora Plinghoff. Song by the M. E. Church choir. Recitation by Ruth Lackey.

## SALT LAKE BUSINESS MEN AND BAND COMING

Here on June 3d to Get Acquainted With You at 10:30 to 11:30,

## GREET THEM WITH GLAD HAND

Salt Lake City, May 20th.—Salt Lake business men are not setting forth on the 1914 trade extension excursion expecting the cities they visit to entertain them; rather, they expect to entertain their hosts. Held's famous brass band and the Imperial Male Quartet will accompany the special train from the time it leaves here May 31st, until it returns from the 1890 mile swing through northern Utah and Idaho, June 6th.

Held's band is famous throughout the intermountain country. It is acknowledged to be one of the premier musical organizations of the West and will be conducted on the trade excursion by the founder and director, John Held.

There will be a concert by the band and the quartet in every one of the 52 cities where the special excursion train is scheduled to stop. Because of the immense territory covered and the number of cities in the itinerary, stops must necessarily be short—but they will be sweet. Interest among Salt Lake business men in the excursion is keen. Heads of the most important business institutions of the city are planning to make the trip, to get better acquainted with the progressive citizens of northern Utah and southern Idaho.

The excursion will be under the direction of the Excursion committee of the Commercial Club, members of this committee, President W. F. Jensen, Secretary, W. C. Stark and members of the board of Governors will officially represent the club on the trip, while there will be countless lay representatives, as of the manufacturers association and other Salt Lake civic organizations. While under the auspices primarily of the Commercial Club, the trade excursion is representative of all the civic and business interests of the commonwealth. The 100 or more excursionists with their band and quartet and supernumeraries, will arrive in Ontario on their special train June 3, 1914 for a stay from 10:30 a. m. to 11:30 o'clock.

Lee Noe, deputy fish and game man, returned a few days ago from the head waters of the Willow and Malheur, where he has been looking over the country and getting familiar with it. He reports plenty of trout and birds.

## MR. GLOVER BACK FROM HIS HOME IN MEXICO

Wilson's Mexican Policy a Farce, Resulting in Great Loss to all the American Residents.

## LEAVE EVERYTHING FOR BANDITS AND REBELS

Mr and Mrs. Glover are home from Mexico, where they have been for the past year.

Mr. Glover stated that the average American citizen has no conception of the Mexicans as a people, as they are fully a thousand years behind the Anglo Saxon. They are still mostly savage, without honor. When two boys get in a fight in this country the sympathy of the crowd is always with the smaller boy. In Mexico it is just the reverse, they always side with the stronger, and their nature in many other ways is just opposite to that of the white people. The American and English residents of that country were in favor of the government and wanted the United States to recognize Huerta.

The sending of the army to Santa Cruz has cost the American and other foreign residents millions of dollars and will not accomplish any good. All the people had to get out and leave everything for the bandits to steal and destroy as the feeling was very strong. One of the causes of the ill feeling toward the United States is the class of men that are there as consuls. The old consuls who understood the language and the people have been replaced by new

men who know nothing of their duties, many not even going to Washington to get instructions before going to their posts. This has caused the loss of much trade and prestige and the other foreign powers are not slow to take advantage of it and are taking the trade for their countries. Wilson's foreign policy is the laughing stock of the world and is costing millions of dollars in trade that will require years to bring back. Diplomats to be of service must have experience, know the language and people to whom they are sent.

The average Mexican places little value on human life. There is a superstition that it will bring bad luck to kill a dog and they are seldom killed, but with human beings it is different and nothing is thought of murdering them.

Mr. Glover has much property there that he was compelled to leave as thousands of others did. It is estimated there were some fifty thousand Americans in the country before the trouble started.

No half way policy will ever be successful with the Mexican people; it is necessary to deal with them with a firm hand.

## NEW PLYMOUTH WILL ENTERTAIN NEIGHBORS

All the towns in the Payette valley will come to New Plymouth July 4 to celebrate the great national holiday.

The business men of New Plymouth have planned the greatest celebration ever held here. They are asking the people of Emmett, Letha, Falk, Fruitland, Payette and Ontario to attend the celebration here. A splendid program for the occasion is being arranged. The principal speaker for the day has not yet been secured, but it is thought that the attorney general of this state, Hon. J. H. Peterson will be selected by the program committee.

One of the big features of the day will be the athletic events, besides 2 ball games will be played. New Plymouth boasts one the best high school teams in the state. This team has been defeated on its home grounds but once, and that was by the Boise high school team. A great game was played here last Friday, for instance, Fruitland and New Plymouth, the score being 1 to 0 in favor of New Plymouth. It was a classy game throughout. The business men of New Plymouth will hang up special cash and merchandise prizes for the athletic contests.

In addition to the athletic program and with the two ball games there will be given a touch of the wild west in the shape of bucking horse contests. There will be dancing all afternoon and evening for those who enjoy this diversion even in hot weather.

New Plymouth's central location in the Payette valley makes this a most desirable and convenient place to hold such a celebration as is being planned for Independence day. In addition to the regular train service on the Payette valley railroad there will be special trains and special rates provided

for this gala occasion.

New Plymouth is a delightful place to spend a great holiday. Its circular streets, lined as they are with fine shade trees, give the town a park-like appearance. There will be an abundance of good drinking water provided, and the thousands of visitors expected to be present at the celebration will find that this town has made ample provision for feeding the multitude. There will be good band music throughout the day and evening, and the big program will include splendid vocal and instrumental music.

The committees having the celebration in charge are busy. They plan to have every detail go through without a hitch of any kind.

New Plymouth will be quite a busy little community this summer. One of the main factors in bringing this about will be the building there this summer of the \$75,000 addition to the school house, bonds for which were voted recently by an overwhelming majority. Contracts for this addition are soon to be let, and the addition is to be completed by the opening of school in September. Professor O. D. Carper, the new superintendent of the New Plymouth school, this week will move here from Star and will watch the building of the new school house addition. The last of the graduation exercises were held Friday evening at Pioneer hall. An excellent program was rendered in the presence of a very large audience. The graduates were: Misses Mardel Wachter, Lucile Day, Viola Meecham, Julia Hannigan and Messrs. Orin Baker and Iril Lynch.

J. Ehrlich will build a new dairy barn at a cost of about \$1000. It is understood this barn will be large enough for 35 or 40 cows.

## LARGE CLASS PASS THE 8TH GRADE EXAMINATIONS

Following is a list of names of successful applicants for 8th grade diplomas.

Hazel Hardman	Nicholas Kessler
Rose Conklin	Wesley Blanton
Gladys Emison	Raymond Jones
Abbie Winegar	Deward Holden
Grace Beeson	Ray Maraden
Henry Dobbs	Lim Dingman
Bernard Rader	Mary Ashton
Ruby Horris	Arthur Moore
Edmund Fraser	Ione Leurs
Dorothy Jaquish	Sherman Pierce
Opal Farley	Mary Carter
Roy Stewart	Edna Jones
Calla Macomb	Doretha Jaquish
John Moore	Hazel Berim
Ruby Maldron	Jennie Cook
Arthur Copercy	Alice Pencock
Orville Nichols	Mattie Redauil
Theodora Wells	David Kershner
Robert Lees	Irving Harris
Ray Bervin	Nellie Ruth

## HORSE SALE AT JUNTURA BROUGHT IN THE BUYERS

Al Wetherly is in from his ranch near the Narrows.

He was at the Juntura horse sale and reports prices from \$80 to \$150 a head. About \$20,000 worth changed hands.

Several buyers are still there and more trades will be made.

Another sale in the fall would bring out a lot of big gentle work stuff and it is probable that two sales will be held annually hereafter. The location is ideal, being in the heart of the horse country. The owners can get their horses there at small expense and in case no sale is made they can be turned loose and will drift back to their range.

## SHORT LINE MAKING MORE CHANGES IN SCHEDULES

The Short Line has issued orders for the Brogan train to be run daily, starting today. A supplemental time card is expected Sunday, with the schedule so arranged that it will return to Ontario in time to connect with the east bound pony.

It is reported that another train will be placed on the Juntura run, leaving Juntura in the morning, meeting the west bound at Hope, and returning in the afternoon.

## GROUNDS TOO WET FOR THE PLAYERS AT WEISER SUNDAY

The ball game at Weiser last Sunday was declared off after the second innings on account of rain. The teams continued playing, giving the Ontario managers an opportunity to try out a couple of new men, but the field was so muddy it was hard to get a line on them.

Two games will be played here Sunday with the Weiser team.

## SCHOOL AT VALLEY VIEW CLOSED FOR THE SUMMER

School closed at the Valley View District Friday, May 23.

The average attendance for the year was 28. Emma Johnson was the only pupil who went the whole term without being neither tardy nor absent.

The Friday preceding the close of school, the teachers took the pupils to the Arcadia grove on a picnic. Time during the day was well spent as children only can spend time well.

Thursday evening the patrons gave a reception in honor of the teachers, which was enjoyed by both old and young.

Miss DeArmond will not teach next winter as she expects to finish her course at Moscow. Sheilla Lackey has been elected in her place. Miss Odell has been retained, having given excellent satisfaction.

## ENGINEER LEWIS FINDS GREAT WATER POWER

On the Lower Snake River-- River Can Be Used by Boats Also.

## 200,000 HP. GOING TO WASTE

That the people are overlooking a great development project along the Snake river is the opinion of State Engineer John H. Lewis, who recently made an inspection of the district between Oregon and Idaho.

Accompanied by Leonard Lungren district engineer of the United States forest service, and R. W. Williams, representing the United States Engineering department, an elevation of 800 feet above the town of Lewiston Idaho, was reached by the gasoline boat Prospector in a distance of 120 miles.

It is this enormous fall in the river through a narrow rock walled canyon, bordered with extensive forest, mineral and other resources, which gives hope that in the near future cheap slack water barge transportation may be had from the Upper Snake river valley to tidewater at Portland.

"Mountains of limestone, marble, copper, alum and granite for building purposes were pointed out, as well as promising gold prospects," said Mr. Lewis.

"The combination of waterpower transportation and these varied resources should make the Snake river project one of the most feasible for development in units. Below the mouth of the Grande Ronde river the stream at low water has a flow of one-half as great as that of the Mississippi river at Keokuk and is ideal for the development of power with relatively low dams.

"A dam 200 feet in height would develop approximately 200,000 horsepower and make the turbulent waters of the Snake river navigable with low power boats for many miles upstream.

"The states of Oregon and Idaho make claim jurisdiction over the water power, while congress makes claim to the entire control of the stream under the interstate commerce clause of the constitution. Meanwhile the farmers of eastern Oregon and Idaho are paying high prices for transportation and capital seeking investments in electric furnace industries is driven to foreign countries."

### JOSEPH W. FOLK



Joseph W. Folk, counsel of the interstate commerce commission, who is probing the financial affairs of the New Haven railroad.

Dr. Goldsberry and Mr. Campbell took a canoe ride from Nyssa to Ontario and speak very highly of the scenery along the route. They saw a large number of some kind of strange bird on one of the islands, which they were unable to classify.